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For : ULTRASONIC WELDING APPARATUS, INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM MANUFACTURING APPARATUS, ULTRASONIC WELDING METHOD, OBJECT, AND CARTRIDGE CASE

## CLAIM OF PRIORITY

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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 and 365 based upon Japanese Application No. 2003-194964, filed July 10, 2003. The International Bureau already should have sent a certified copy of the Japanese application to the United States designated office. If the certified copy has not arrived, please contact the undersigned.

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